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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director, Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Exploitation of Captured Army Materiel

1. Attached hereto find memoranda explaining the reasons for CIA's dealing primarily with Department of Army with reference to the above subject.

2. Responsibility for formulating plans for exploiting Army materiel in future theaters of hostilities would seem to be with DD/I. Though coordination with DD/P and DD/A is, of course, required, the substantive problem, estimates of manpower required, and the arrangements for exploitation by American enterprises, all seem to fall primarily under the jurisdiction of the DD/I.

3. I have asked AD/SI, AD/RR and AD/O to draw up the terms which a model plan should include so that as little time as possible will be lost in developing specific plans to meet contingencies as they develop.

4. For the moment the only possible theater to which more attention might profitably be devoted would be the Indo-Chinese. About six months ago I decided, after conferences with FE, that in view of our many problems in dealing with French intelligence and military services and the relative paucity of Communist materiel captured by the French Union forces, [REDACTED] not be profitable. In the event the situation in Indo-China heats up 25X1B4d in one direction or another, I am prepared to reconsider this decision promptly.

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